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REPORT

of the

FIRST MEETING

of the

FOOTE FAMILY ASSOCIATION

Report 1-3-1907

of

AMERICA

at

WETHERSFIELD, CT.

June 5, 1907

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The first gathering of the Foote Family Association of America took place in Wethersfield, Connecticut on June 5, 1907. The descendants of Nathaniel Foote, the settler, gathered in the old town, and formed a permanent family organization. There were over one hundred representatives of the Foote family present from all over the United States.

For some six months previous to the meeting, a vigorous correspondence had been carried on between Judge Abram W. Foote, of Middlebury, Vermont, Mr. John M. Foote, of Hartford, Connecticut, Mr. Nathaniel Foote, of New York City, and Dr. Lewis Nathaniel Foote, of Brooklyn, New York. As a result of these conferences, a letter was sent out to a few members of the family, and the responses were so hearty and enthusiastic that no doubt was left as to the desire for a reunion, and the prospects appeared bright for its success.

Later, a general invitation was scattered as widely as possible, in the following circular letter:

THE FOOTE FAMILY REUNION AT WETHERSFIELD, CT., JUNE 5, 1907.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., April 23, 1907.

Dear Friend:

The decision has been reached to form a Foote Family Association. The object is to bring the different branches of the family more closely together, as well as to establish some permanent body to keep intact the Foote records and traditions.

Plans are already under way to perfect such an organization at Wethersfield, Connecticut. The date has been fixed for Wednesday, June 5th, 1907, and the Assembly will take place at 10 a. m. in the Grange Hall.

Wethersfield is situated but four miles South of Hartford and electric cars run every 15 minutes from that city.

Ample accommodation can of course be engaged at Hartford. The Garde Hotel Asylum and High St. will probably be headquarters on Tuesday night, the 4th. Dr. Lewis Nathaniel Foote of Brooklyn, New York, has consented to look after the details and any further information will be gladly furnished by him. He desires some response from each one and urges that this notice be extended as widely as possible by all who receive it. The committee can hardly reach every one with a personal invitation.

The new Foote Genealogy, now being edited by Judge Abram W. Foote, of Middlebury, Vermont, will go to press soon after this meeting. A record of the gathering will be inserted including the officers elected and it is hoped, as well, a group picture taken under the large elm tree on the old home lot of Robert Foote.

In order to make this reunion an enjoyable affair to all the hearty co-operation of each one is needed. Aid the committee as much as possible in their effort to acquaint every one with the knowledge of this gathering. Everyone interested in the Foote family is invited. No one can afford to miss the pleasure of such an occasion.

Lewis Nathaniel Foote, M. D., 147	Judge Abram W. Foote, Middlebury, Vt.
Hancock St., Brooklyn, N. Y.	J. M. Foote, Newark, N. J.
John M. Foote, 50 State St., Hartford,	Rev. J. B. Foote, D.D., Syracuse, N. Y.
Conn.	David Thompson Foote, Bridgeport,
Edward Bond Foote, M. D., New York,	Conn.
N. Y.	Gen. George F. Foote, Washington, D. C.
Judge Nathaniel Foote, Rochester, N. Y.	Edward Milton Foote, M. D., New
Col. John H. Foote, Brooklyn, N. Y.	York, N. Y.

Adrian Foote, Ashland, Mass.

Winfield Scott Hall, M. D., Chicago, Ill.

Arthur E. Foote, Staten Island, N. Y.

G. Wesley Foote, Philadelphia, Pa.

Nathaniel Foote, New York, N. Y.

John Crocker Foote, Belvidere, Ill.

Nathaniel Foote, M. D., Colchester, Conn.

G. Clifford Foote, New Haven, Conn.

James Hall Foote, New York, N. Y.

John Howard Foote, Brooklyn, N. Y.

On Tuesday afternoon, June 4th, representatives of the family from near and far began to gather in Hartford. The Garde Hotel had been chosen as the headquarters of the clan, and on that evening an informal reception was held, which was attended by some sixty-five persons. Remarks were made by Judge Abram W. Foote touching the Foote coat-of-arms and its history. Some discussion followed, which was participated in by Mr. Nathaniel Foote, of New York, Judge Nathaniel Foote, of Rochester, New York, Mrs. Caroline Foote Marsh, of New York, Mrs. Mabel Ward Cameron, of Boston, and others. The reception was a most delightful affair.

On the morning of June 5, 1907, a special electric car conveyed the guests to Wethersfield. Arrangements had most generously been made by the members of the Grange, the Business Men's Association and the selectmen of the town to entertain the gathering in the Grange Hall.

The reunion proper opened with an informal reception from 10 to 11 in the hall, when the assemblage was called to order by Dr. Lewis Nathaniel Foote, of Brooklyn, New York.

He spoke briefly as follows:

Cousins and Friends:

It is indeed a great pleasure to be permitted to call to order this the first gathering of the Foote Family Association.

There have been other reunions of Footes here and there throughout the country but to-day marks the beginning of the national, and who knows but that it may grow into an international organization.

From Boston to Seattle have responses come wishing good success to this gathering. So it behoves us to make firm the foundations we lay to-day that the Foote Family Association may last to the end of time.

The Rev. Henry Lewis Foote, of Marblehead, Massachusetts, delivered the invocation.

Upon the declination of Mr. John M. Foote, of Hartford, Connecticut, to serve as presiding officer, the name of Judge Nathaniel Foote, of Rochester, N. Y., was presented, and he was unanimously chosen to fill that position.

Upon assuming the chair he addressed the gathering as follows:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

You will not expect me to be wholly free from embarrassment in the presence of so many cousins whom I have now, for the first time, the pleasure of meeting.

I understand that I have been selected as your presiding officer upon this interesting occasion in place of the gentleman originally chosen, but who finds himself unable to serve, because, more nearly than any other person, I trace my descent through the eldest son of the eldest son in the line from Nathaniel Foote, the original settler, with but one break in that line. My grandfather, Asa Foote, was the second son of his father, Nathaniel, the eldest son, Nathaniel, having died a young man without issue, whereupon my grandfather, Asa, named my father, his eldest son, Nathaniel, as did the eldest son in each generation, and as I have done.

It was a very happy inspiration of the person or persons responsible for our meeting to-day to have conceived the plan of such a gathering, and they were equally happy in locating the place of this meeting at Wethersfield, where our common ancestor, who came to this country now more than two hundred and eighty years ago, made his fight for existence and to bring up his family, against the wilderness and the savage. To that fight and to its successful issue all who are gathered here to-day, and thousands more, are indebted for the privilege of existence and for the privilege of enjoying the many comforts and blessings which they enjoy at the present day. To that common ancestor, who lies buried in yonder churchyard, we owe a debt of gratitude too great to be stated in words or to be rightly appreciated. Let us do what little we can to honor his memory, and to that end, I hope a permanent organization of his descendants now living may be formed here, which will result in regular gatherings of the family in the future.

ADDRESS OF REV. GEORGE L. CLARK.

It is no ordinary privilege to be allowed to share in this family gathering and to voice a cordial welcome to the descendants of an honored member of the little company of ten adventurers who, in 1634, settled here.

We welcome you to a town which is fragrant with rich memories. Our Congregational meeting-house, with its wren spire, built in 1761, in the days of George III., still shelters a church which seeks there inspiration and repose. There, in 1774, the Freemen voted sympathy and grain for beleagured Boston. There Washington worshipped on May 20, 1781, and turned his benign face toward the gallery, lined by the faces of beautiful women for which the town has ever been famous.

Our cemetery is colonial and still hospitable to many worn pilgrims; there, on the highest elevation, overlooking the placid river rests in a narrow, unmarked grave, the dust of your famous ancestor, the greatest land-holder of the first settlers.

We welcome you to Broad Street, relic and reminder of the ancient Saxon Commons, to the shelter of the big elm, the largest tree in the State. You may listen to our mosquitoes, lineal descendants of those which sang sweetly to the original Nathaniel. You may sniff the delicate fragrance of our onions and visit our penitentiary without finding a single relative within its walls. Would you enjoy a wide and beautiful scene, ascend Wolcott Hill, wander along Ridge Road beyond, the finest drive out of Hartford, and you will see that we are bounded on the North by Mt. Holyoke, on the South by the Hanging Hills of Meriden, on the East by Plymouth Rock, and on the West by the day of judgment.

As I think of your noble family which calls Nathaniel Foote, "Father," of the men and women distinguished at the bar, in the pulpit, in literature, medicine, commerce, war, and in the no less important private walks, I rejoice that we who live in this beautiful and historic town can share in your triumphs. Coleridge reminds us that it is "the successive few in every age to whom we owe our ameliorated condition." When the early settlers in Watertown, chafing under the narrowness which would limit suffrage to church members, turned their eyes westward, it was not only good fishing and fertile meadows which met their gaze but a wilderness, hardship and peril, amid the lairs of savage beasts and the haunts of cruel men. It was no summer excursion to come hither by water or forest path. A son of the first and settled pastor, Rev. Henry Smith, vividly describes the situation in a letter written in his old age: "The first meeting-house was solid, made to withstand the wicked assaults of the red skins. Its foundations were laid in the fear of the Lord, but its walls were truly laid in the fear of the Indians, for many and great were the terrors of them. I do mind how all the able-bodied men did work thereat and the old and feeble did watch in turns, to espy if any savage was in hiding near, and every man kept his musket nigh to his hand.

After the red skins, the great terror of our lives were the wolves. I have never seen any man that did not shiver at the sound of a pack of them." So the story of daily terror and midnight dread runs on.

It was a long, stern training for the Revolution, and gallantly did your ancestors meet it, sustained at freedom's fountain and by an unconquerable faith in God, and later, when the time came for resistance to British aggression, the men of Wethersfield stood among the foremost in demanding liberty untrammelled and complete.

At a tavern on the west side of Broad Street, a scene was enacted in 1765 which well illustrates the spirit of those stormy days. Jared Ingersoll, the British stamp collector, in the angry presence of five hundred men, was there forced to resign his office, and as he rode his white horse to Hartford amid his unwelcome escort, he said he understood for the first time the meaning of St. John's imagery of "Death on a pale horse with *hell* following after."

Those men were not to be trifled with, and when the "Lexington Alarm" was sounded, within twenty-four hours, Capt. John Chester was on the road with his fine company of one hundred and one men, the best uniformed company at Bunker Hill; and they were in the thick of the fight.

Thrice did Washington come to Wethersfield, and on his last visit a military conference was held in the Webb House, after a grand dinner of Wethersfield shad, where plans were laid which led to Yorktown.

Our greatest contribution to the cause of freedom was Silas Deane, who went forth from his home, just south of the Webb House, to give to the first and second Continental Congresses his remarkable energy, foresight and business capacity; chosen in 1775, by Franklin, Jay, Morris, Dickenson and Harrison, as special diplomatist and commercial agent to France; in the face of countless obstacles he bought military supplies which made Saratoga possible; pushed France to a treaty; called La Fayette and De Kalb to our aid; introduced to General Washington, Steuben, who, with the military skill of the wars of Frederick the Great, transformed our groups of farmers into disciplined armies.

When, for the first time in history, a model was needed for a written Constitution to shape the powers of self government by the people, where could it be found if not on the banks of the Connecticut, in the brains and practices of Congregational Churches? Sydney Smith was once asked if he had forgotten anything. "The Thirty-nine Articles," he replied, but the Thirty-nine Articles of the Saybrook Platform are forever embalmed in the Constitution of the United States.

I can add nothing to make more clear that Wethersfield, the kindly old mother who welcomes home her distinguished children from paths of fame and wealth, has an honorable place in the history of freedom and manhood. Her pride is yours for your ancestors "at life's drear peril wrought for her."

We rejoice together to-day in your victories in the church, State, and on the sea. We are happy to look into your faces and take you by the hand. We give you our heartiest hospitality.

I have heard, Mr. President, that in the olden times when a monarch in journeying through his dominions, visited a walled city, the authorities took great pains to entertain him courteously and do him all honor, with banquet and song, and when it was over and he was about to depart, the Mayor stood at the gate with the key in his hand and refused egress till the king had granted the franchise the city deserved.

Descendants of Nathaniel Foote: We welcome you to the grand old town of Wethersfield, mother of strong men and women: We will not let you go until you pledge us afresh the freedom of the noble friendship of your historic family.

An historical paper was then read by Mr. Nathaniel Foote, of New York City. He said:

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen:

The genesis of the name Foote is found in the tradition that when the primitive inhabitants of the British Isles took names to distinguish one family or clan from another, a man who lived at the foot of the mountain called himself Foote. Of course, I can offer no evidence to sustain this statement, owing to the length of time which has elapsed since this occurrence took place, if it ever did. If we accept it as authentic, we must class it with the story of the escape of Charles I. after the battle of Worcester and the services said to have been rendered him by his loyal subject, James Foote of Boscobel.

You are doubtless familiar with this family tradition, for it has been generally accepted among us in one form or another for many years. The story has taken to itself a visible and permanent existence in the coat of arms and crest of the family. We have the oak tree as a crest and the clover-field on the face of the coat of arms, both to remind us of the peril of the King and the degree of Knighthood which afterward was conferred on some ancestor of ours. Unfortunately we have not been able to ascertain which king it was that honoured him. Some of us have understood that it was Charles I. of England, but English history says otherwise. The battle of Worcester and the escape of the King to Boscobel took place in 1651, or sixteen years after the settlement of Wethersfield. It is quite true that a large number of the family remained at home, and Burke's Book of Heraldry gives a description of ten different coats of arms which belonged to the various branches of the family. It is possible that the degree of Knighthood was conferred on some of those who remained in England.

There is a clear and detailed statement of the King's refuge at Boscobel in Hume's History of England, and this book has been quoted as an authority for the tradition that Boscobel was the home of James Foote. The account of the escape from Cromwell's troops is splendidly told, but there is no mention of our name. It is stated that the place was called Boscobel and was the property of the Penderel family. Perhaps some of my hearers can explain the discrepancy.

The earliest record in existence of Nathaniel Foote, the Settler, in this country, is found in the records of the grants and possessions of lands in the Colony of Massachusetts Bay in 1633, when he took the oath of Freeman, and in Watertown, where he first located and where is an entry of land to him. Then came the search after a new home, and after fourteen days of travel in the wilderness he, with the rest of the company, settled in Wethersfield. We do not know the reason for this move, although it was stated at the time that the settlers in Watertown wanted "more room for their cattle." It is more probable, however, that it was the outcome of some sort of a theological dispute which led to the new settlement. Later disputes of the same kind led to the settlement of Stamford, Connecticut, in 1640; Branford in 1644, and Hadley, Massachusetts, in 1659. The records of Wethersfield show that Nathaniel Foote took title to a farm on February 21st, 1637, just 270 years ago, and the purchase of this tract made him the largest holder of adventure lands in the settlement. The word "adventure" in this case being used to describe lands the title of which did not come from the town. This settlement of Wethersfield was the beginning of what is now the State of Connecticut, so that our common ancestor was one of the founders of not only a town but a great Commonwealth as well. I say great because the term is well-deserved. No student or observer of American affairs can study the history of the State of Connecticut and say otherwise. And in all the various conditions and movements which have contributed to this result our family have borne their share of the burden. I will venture to mention some of them by name: George Foote, of Bennington, Vermont,

who stood by the side of Ethan Allen when he demanded the surrender of Fort Ticonderoga. He was one of the pioneer settlers of that State.

Honorable Isaac Foote, of Colchester, Connecticut, a soldier of the Revolution, and the first Judge of Chenango County, New York, to which place he had removed. He died in February, 1843, at the age of 97.

Nathaniel Foote, the projector of the settlement of Colchester, Connecticut. He was representative to the General Assembly for twenty-two successive sessions. He died in August, 1774, at the age of 92, and his son Nathaniel died in 1811 at the age of 99.

Honorable Ebenezer Foote, of Delhi, New York, another Revolutionary soldier and first Judge of Delaware County.

Honorable Samuel Augustus Foote, of Cheshire, Connecticut, Member and Speaker of the House of Representatives of Connecticut; a representative at the Congress in Washington, afterwards United States Senator; Governor of the State of Connecticut, and Presidential Elector in 1844. His son, Andrew Hull Foote, was the well-known Rear-Admiral in the United States Navy.

I will also mention Elial Todd Foote, for twenty-five years Presiding Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the State of New York; Hon. Leverett Brainerd, former Mayor of Hartford; Frederick W. Foote, of Elizabeth, New Jersey; Right Reverend Fred Foote Johnson, the youngest Bishop in the Episcopal Church; Honorable Nathaniel Foote, Judge of the Court of Appeals of the State of New York; and Honorable Abram W. Foote, of Middlebury, Vermont.

You will notice the gradual dispersion of the family from Wethersfield, until now we find some of our kinsmen in almost every State of the Union, and I am told that there are almost seven thousand of his descendants now living. It is fortunate for us that we have our new Foote Genealogy almost ready for the press, for such a work must be regarded as the corner stone of our records. Over half a century has passed since the Foote Genealogy by Goodwin was published, and time has wrought many changes in our family since then. We need a complete record up to the present time, and also some definite method whereby we can preserve and increase it as time goes on.

Judge Abram W. Foote, of Middlebury, Vermont, then addressed the gathering. He said in part:

Dear Cousins:

Two hundred and seventy years ago Nathaniel Foote came to Wethersfield, Conn., and helped settle this, the first town in this valley; he had probably come from Colchester, England, about five years before.

He was only one of a score of hardy men who moved from Watertown, Mass., one hundred miles into the wilderness to subdue the soil and the Indians; he was just an ordinary average farmer of his time, and it is remarkable that of the thousands of his descendants whom we have knowledge of, there is one Governor, a Rear-Admiral, a few Generals, and several Judges of more or less distinction; but the best part of it is that we have not found one criminal in the whole correspondence.

The Footes, as a whole, are thrifty but not avaricious. I have never heard of one in the Alms-house, and if there is a millionaire he has succeeded in evading me.

The same energy that prompted Nathaniel Foote to leave Colchester, England, and come to Watertown, and then push again forward to Wethersfield, was apparent in his sons, Nathaniel 2nd, who founded the town of Colchester, Conn., and Robert, who moved to Branford, Conn.; and in the next few generations we find the descendants moving to Vermont and New York State, the frontier at that time, and in the next century pushing on to Michigan and Ohio, and as the country was opened up for settlement, still farther, until to-day we find them in nearly every part of the United States and some parts of Canada.

And this brings us to:

THE FOOTE HISTORY AND GENEALOGY.

About eight years ago I came across a copy of Goodwin's Genealogy of the Nathaniel Foote family, and the idea occurred to me, as it no doubt has to many of you, that the history should be brought down to date. My business, at that time and for several years after, required all my time, so I did very little effective work until February, 1905. I then issued one thousand circulars and have since sent out over six thousand letters and circulars.

We soon found out that many corrections must be made in Goodwin's book and that many family lines were left back one hundred years, and the idea of issuing a supplementary work was out of the question, as I do not think there are over a hundred of the old books in existence; so we have started back with Nathaniel, the Settler, and with Pasco, who we have every reason to believe was very nearly related to Nathaniel, if he was not actually his brother.

We expect to be able to deliver the book to the subscribers this summer.

With the publication of the Genealogy the work of the Association really begins. There is no doubt but what there are many by the name of Foote who have not been traced out; some are indifferent, others have not the means of knowing, but in a few weeks you will all be able to trace the lines just so far as I can now, and by keeping up the interest the greatest success will be attained.

Let each member of the family report any additions or corrections at any time to the Secretary and the record will be preserved for future publication.

These meetings should be held bi-annually, at least, and in different parts of the country, and thus reach a larger proportion of the family.

The object of the Association is two-fold: closer social relations and to collect and preserve the history of the family.

To accomplish these purposes, I would suggest that we have an Assistant Secretary in each State, so far as possible, and that we encourage State Associations that shall meet bi-annually, alternating with the Nathaniel Association, and, if practicable, establish an English Association.

The ties that bind us are naturally closer than that of any fraternity: "Blood is thicker than water."

As we tread the ground that was subdued and tilled by our ancestors, let us not forget that they suffered those privations and braved those dangers that our parents, ourselves, and our children should reap the benefits of living in this Glorious Republic.

This closed the literary character of the morning session.

After some informal remarks by Dr. Foote, of Brooklyn, congratulating Judge Abram W. Foote upon the success of his efforts upon the Foote Genealogy,

It was moved and carried that as an association we tender to him our most hearty thanks for the work that he has done and that some reference in the form of a resolution be placed upon the minutes of this meeting.

The following resolution was introduced and most enthusiastically endorsed by the association:

THE FOOTE FAMILY ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA.

WETHERSFIELD, CONNECTICUT, June 5, 1907.

Hon. Abram William Foote, Middlebury, Vermont.

At the first meeting of the Foote Family Association, held at Wethersfield, Conn., on the fifth day of June, 1907, the following resolution was proposed and unanimously adopted:

Resolved: That we extend to the Honorable Abram W. Foote, of Middlebury, Vermont, our sincere thanks and deep appreciation for the labor which he has so cheerfully given, and for the untiring efforts put forth by him in revising the Foote Genealogy to the present time, as well as to render this gathering so enjoyable to us all.

It has been ordered that this resolution be placed upon the minutes of this the first meeting of the Foote Family Association of America.

NATHANIEL FOOTE, Presiding Officer.

LEWIS NATHANIEL FOOTE, M. D., Acting Secretary.

It was moved and carried that a committee be appointed to nominate officers, draw up rules and by-laws and present some brief form of organization.

The chair appointed as such committee Mr. Julius Merrill Foote, of Newark, New Jersey, Mr. Lawrence Foote, of Canton, Mississippi, and Judge Abram W. Foote, of Middlebury, Vermont.

The benediction was then pronounced by the Rev. John Bartlit Foote, D. D., of Syracuse, New York, thus closing the morning meeting.

Owing to the rainy weather, the guests were largely confined to the Grange building, although later in the day many strolled to the Old Foote Tract and gazed upon the wonderful elm tree.

Lunch was served in the Grange dining hall at 1 o'clock. Over one hundred and fifty were seated and enjoyed a most bountiful repast which was furnished by the Grangers gratuitously.

After luncheon, a flashlight photograph of all those present at the meeting was taken. Instead of the picture being taken under the elm tree, as planned, the weather forbidding, the gathering was photographed in the Grange Hall. A short time was then spent in singing patriotic songs.

The business session was called to order with Judge Nathaniel Foote, of Rochester, New York, in the chair.

The report of the committee on the constitution and by-laws was called for and the following brief organization was presented:

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE FOOTE FAMILY ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA.

Name.

1. This Association shall be called "The Foote Family Association of America."

Objects.

2. The objects of this Association shall be the conserving and promoting of the interest and sentiment of the Foote Family in America; the cultivation of social inter-

course among its members; the collecting of genealogical and historical data relating to the various branches of the family; the publication of the same from time to time, and any other objects which may be determined by the Association.

Officers.

3. The Officers of the Association shall be a President, Vice-Presidents, a Secretary and Treasurer, an Historian, and three Counselors. The Counselors and Officers *ex officio* shall constitute the Board of Management. These officers shall be elected by ballot at each regular meeting of the Association.

Duties.

4. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Association.

A Vice-President, in the absence of the President, shall preside and perform the duties as President.

The Secretary and Treasurer shall conduct all correspondence, keep in his book a full and distinct record of all the transactions of the Association and shall call all its meetings. He shall keep an accurate list of all its members. He shall collect, receive and pay out all moneys, subject to the order of the Board of Management, and keep a correct account of all moneys received and expended and render a written account at each regular meeting of the Association.

The Board of Management shall hold such meetings as the interests of the Association may demand, subject to the call of the Secretary. They shall report to the Association at each regular meeting all of the business that has been transacted since their last report. They shall perform such other duties as may be imposed upon them by the Association or by the President.

The Historian shall receive and carefully preserve all data pertaining to the history of the Foote Family. He shall prepare and continue a record with pictures and personal memoranda of all members past and present.

Membership.

5. Any lineal descendant of Nathaniel Foote, the First Settler, shall be eligible to membership, on approval of the Board of Management.

Dues.

6. The dues shall be One Dollar, assessed on the head or representative of each family at each meeting of the Association.

It was moved and carried that the Foote Family Association of America be hereby organized, and do hereby adopt the constitution and by-laws as offered.

The report of the committee on nominations for officers was called for and the following names were presented:

For President—Hon. Nathaniel Foote, of Rochester, New York.

For Vice-Presidents—Dr. Lewis Nathaniel Foote, of Brooklyn, New York; Mr. John Crocker Foote, of Belvidere, Illinois.

For Secretary and Treasurer—Judge Abram William Foote, of Middlebury, Vermont.

For Historian—Mr. Nathaniel Foote, of New York, N. Y.

For Counselors—Mr. Julius Merrill Foote, of Newark, New Jersey; Mr. Lawrence Foote, of Canton, Mississippi; Mr. Elizur V. Foote, of New York, N. Y.

It was moved and carried that the chairman of the committee on nominations cast the unanimous ballot of the association for the proposed officers.

Judge Nathaniel Foote assumed the chair as president and addressed the association briefly.

It was moved and carried that resolutions of thanks be sent to the hosts of the day and that the resolutions be incorporated in the minutes of the Association. And the following resolutions were adopted:

THE FOOTE FAMILY ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA.

At a reunion of the Foote Family, the descendants of Nathaniel Foote, one of the first settlers, in 1634, of Wethersfield, Connecticut, held at Wethersfield on the fifth day of June, 1907, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, the Officers and Members of the Wethersfield Branch of the State Grange of Connecticut were pleased to extend to the delegates to the First National Reunion of the Foote Family in America the hospitality and goodfellowship of their organization in the entertainment of the said delegates and,

Whereas, in that same hospitality and goodfellowship the enjoyment and success of the Reunion were increased, greatly to the advantage of the said delegates, therefore be it

Resolved: That the Foote Family Association of America hereby do express their thanks and deep appreciation of the generous treatment and the spirit in which it was extended to them by the Officers and Members of the Wethersfield Branch of the State Grange of Connecticut, and be it further

Resolved: That the Acting Secretary of the meeting be instructed to forward to the Officers and Members of the said Grange a copy of these Resolutions properly signed and to spread them upon the minutes of this Association as a matter of record.

NATHANIEL FOOTE, President.

LEWIS NATHANIEL FOOTE, M. D., Acting Secretary.

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Whereas, the Business Men's Association of Wethersfield, Connecticut, through the interest which they have manifested in furthering the purpose of a successful Reunion of the Foote Family in America, and through their efforts in connection with the entertainment of the delegates present, have thereby added to the general enjoyment of the occasion, therefore be it

Resolved: That the thanks of the Foote Family be extended and hereby is extended to the said Business Men's Association for their efforts in its behalf, and be it further

Resolved: That the Acting Secretary be instructed to forward a copy of these resolutions to the said Business Men's Association and to incorporate the same in the minutes of the meeting as a matter of record.

NATHANIEL FOOTE, President.

LEWIS NATHANIEL FOOTE, M. D., Acting Secretary.

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Whereas, the Selectmen and Citizens of the town of Wethersfield, Connecticut, through their interest in furthering the purpose of the First Reunion of the Foote Family in America, did extend and cause to be extended to the members of the Family present the liberty of the town and in so doing thereby increased greatly the enjoyment of the said members, therefore be it

Resolved: That the thanks of the Association be and hereby is extended to the said Selectmen and Citizens of the town of Wethersfield for their interest shown in connection with the Reunion, and be it further

Resolved: That the Acting Secretary of the meeting be instructed to forward to the Selectmen and Citizens a copy of these resolutions and to spread them upon the minutes as a matter of record.

NATHANIEL FOOTE, President.

LEWIS NATHANIEL FOOTE, M. D., Acting Secretary.

The subject of a suitable memorial being placed in the town of Wethersfield to perpetuate the name of Nathaniel Foote, the Settler, was brought before the meeting by Judge Abram W. Foote.

It was moved and carried that a committee be appointed, with power to solicit subscriptions for, and to place in the town of Wethersfield, a suitable memorial to Nathaniel Foote, the Settler.

The president appointed as such committee Judge Abram W. Foote, of Middlebury, Vermont; Dr. Lewis Nathaniel Foote, of Brooklyn, New York, and Mr. John A. Foote, of Catskill, New York.

It was moved and carried that the secretary be empowered to place upon the Register of this meeting, as charter members, all, including those not present, who signify the desire and prove their right to have their names included among the lineal descendants of Nathaniel Foote, the Settler.

A fee of half a dollar was assessed and forty-five dollars was collected, of which eight dollars was paid for the special car, ten dollars donated for the use of the Grange Hall and three dollars for incidentals, leaving a balance in the hands of the treasurer of twenty-four dollars.

The business meeting was then declared adjourned.

Mr. Josiah G. Adams had been requested to preside at a symposium, at which addresses were listened to with much pleasure from the Wethersfield friends.

Those who spoke included Mr. Henry A. Stillman, of Hartford; Representatives E. Hart Fenn and John T. Welles, Messrs. R. R. Wolcott, George W. Harris, Robert Griswold and F. A. Griswold, of Wethersfield, and Mr. John Howard Foote, of Brooklyn, New York.

The day closed with the singing of "Blest be the Tie that Binds."

Many letters of regret and telegrams were received from those who could not be present.

During the day the following telegram was sent to President Roosevelt:

The President, Hon. Theodore Roosevelt, Washington, D. C.

The Foote Family in reunion, descendants of Nathaniel Foote, First Settler of Wethersfield, Connecticut, in 1634, send you their greetings.

(Signed) Judge Nathaniel Foote, Rochester, N. Y.
Lewis N. Foote, M. D., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Minutes of June 4 and 5, 1907.

ABRAM W. FOOTE, *Secretary.*
LEWIS NATHANIEL FOOTE, M. D., *Acting Secretary.*
NATHANIEL FOOTE, *President.*

The White House, Washington, June 6, 1907.

My Dear Sir:

The President requests me to thank you, and thru you the members of the Foote family, for the greetings conveyed to him in the telegram he has just received from Hartford, Connecticut.

With an expression of the President's cordial good wishes, believe me,
Very truly yours,

WM. LOEB, JR., Secretary to the President.

CHARTER MEMBERS PRESENT

Hon. Nathaniel Foote, Rochester, N. Y.

Nathaniel Foote.....245 Culver Road, Rochester, New York.
Charlotte Campbell Foote.....245 Culver Road, Rochester, New York.
Abram William Foote.....Middlebury, Vermont.
Mrs. A. W. Foote.....Middlebury, Vermont.
Miss Arabella W. Foote.....Middlebury, Vermont.
Orlando Knox Foote.....Rochester, New York.
Nathaniel Foote.....80 Broadway, New York City.
Lewis Nathaniel Foote, M. D.....147 Hancock Street, Brooklyn, New York.
Mabel Shull Foote.....147 Hancock Street, Brooklyn, New York.
Anna Elizabeth Foote (Miss).....96 Hardenbrook Ave., Jamaica, N. Y.
Sarah Elizabeth Foote Stryker.....Bound Brook, New Jersey.
Adrian Foote.....Ashland, Massachusetts.
Jessie A. Foote (Miss).....Ashland, Massachusetts.
James Hall Foote.....71 West 130 Street, New York City.
Caroline Foote Marsh (Mrs.).....17 Livingston Place, New York City.
Carlotta Foster Marsh (Miss).....17 Livingston Place, New York City.
John Bartlit Foote, D. D.....910 Harrison Street, Syracuse, New York.
Louisa Young Foote.....910 Harrison Street, Syracuse, New York.
Martha Foote Crow, Ph.D. (Mrs.).....112 East 17 Street, New York City.
Elizabeth Louisa Foote (Miss).....209 West 23 Street, New York City.
Frances Foote Sand (Mrs. J. H. E.)....289 Ninth Street, Brooklyn, New York.
Grace Foote Daves (Mrs. F. Harry)....29 S. Williams Street, Johnstown, N. Y.
Lulu M. Foote (Miss).....210 S. Perry Street, Johnstown, N. Y.
Jennie S. Foote (Miss).....210 S. Perry Street, Johnstown, N. Y.
Henry V. R. Foote.....Malone, Franklin County, New York.
Mrs. Henry V. R. Foote.....Malone, Franklin County, New York.
Silas B. Foote.....St. Paul and Red Wing, Minnesota.
Emily H. Loomis Bliss.....247 Collins Street, Hartford, Conn.

Jane C. Loomis Bevin.....East Hampton, Conn.
 Mary S. Foote Hovey (Mrs.).....Chardon, Geauga County, Ohio.
 Mabel Ward Cameron
 (Mrs. Chas. Ernest)...20 Empire Street, Boston, Mass.
 Edith Ward Dwight
 (Mrs. Henry Cecil, Jr.)...Hartford, Connecticut.
 Julius Merrill Foote.....301 Ogden Street, Newark, New Jersey.
 Mrs. J. M. Foote.....301 Ogden Street, Newark, New Jersey.
 Amaziah Brainard.....Hartford, Connecticut.
 Mrs. Amaziah Brainard.....Hartford, Connecticut.
 Mary Bulkley Brainard (Mrs. Leverett)...135 Washington Street, Hartford, Conn.
 Lucy Morgan Brainard (Mrs. Lyman B.)...144 Washington Street, Hartford, Conn.
 Lucy Abigail Brainard (Miss).....4 Atwood Street, Hartford, Conn.
 Nellie Hubbard Marshall.....Cheshire, Conn.
 Lucilla Marshall (Miss).....Cheshire, Conn.
 John Mills Foote.....50 State Street, Hartford, Conn.
 Mrs. J. M. Foote.....50 State Street, Hartford, Conn.
 Elliot Stanley Foote.....West Hartford, Conn.
 Helen Selden Foote.....West Hartford, Conn.
 Edward Mills Foote.....West Hartford, Conn.
 Rev. Henry Lewis Foote.....Marblehead, Massachusetts.
 Ellsworth I. Foote.....19 Howe Street, New Haven, Conn.
 John A. Foote.....Simpson, Kansas.
 John A. Foote.....Catskill, Greene County, New York.
 Adella M. Foote.....Catskill, Greene County, New York.
 Florence S. Foote (Miss).....Catskill, Greene County, New York.
 Henry M. Foote.....Washington, D. C.
 Lawrence Foote.....Canton, Mississippi.
 Edward Milton Foote, M. D.....136 West 48 Street, New York City.
 Elizur V. Foote.....253 West 42 Street, New York City.
 Jane A. Foote Stokes (Mrs. Horace)....Hackettstown, New Jersey.
 Caroline Crandall Foote (Miss).....589 North State Street, Chicago, Ill.
 Edward Bond Foote, M. D.....120 Lexington Avenue, New York City.
 Mary E. Bond Foote, M. D.....122 Lexington Avenue, New York City.
 Charlotte Miller Middlebrook
 (Mrs. Geo. H.)...8421 Second Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Edwin Foote.....3640 West 32 Street, Cleveland, Ohio.
 George A. Foote.....Charlotte, Vermont.
 John Howard Foote.....399 Madison Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Jennie Areson Foote (Mrs. James W.)...181 St. Johns Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Louise Foote Walsh
 (Mrs. William W., Jr.)...181 St. Johns Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 E. E. Foote.....Gilead, Conn.
 Alice E. H. Foote.....Gilead, Conn.
 Charles Foote.....Northford, Conn.
 John M. Foote.....Northford, Conn.
 Hubert Porter Foote.....Canton Center, Conn.
 Albert H. Foote.....Colchester, Conn.
 David Thompson Foote.....Bridgeport, Conn.
 Theodore Foote, M. D.....636 Wood Street, Vineland, New Jersey.
 Harvey Foote Remington.....7 Reservoir Avenue, Rochester, N. Y.
 Harvey Foote Remington, Jr.....7 Reservoir Avenue, Rochester, N. Y.
 Mary E. Foote Ballard (Mrs. Albert)...Millington, New Salem, Mass.

Bessie P. Foote Ballard (Mrs. Daniel).....Millington, New Salem, Mass.
A. Frances Ballard.....r81 Maple Avenue, Hartford, Conn.
John D. Horsfall.....Unionville, Conn.
Mrs. John D. Horsfall.....Unionville, Conn.
Mrs. Frank B. Smith.....Hartford, Conn.
Temperance Leonora Bacon.....South Glastonbury, Conn.
Imogene Bacon (Miss).....South Glastonbury, Conn.
Jane Foote Hoadley (Mrs.).....51 Fountain Street, New Haven, Conn.
Charles Fenner Foote Beckwith.....Stafford Springs, Conn.
Mrs. C. F. Beckwith.....Stafford Springs, Conn.
Mary Lester Beckwith Chandler.....Stafford Springs, Conn.
Georgia S. Beckwith.....Stafford Springs, Conn.
Martha R. B. Burbank.....Long Meadow, Mass.
Rose Beckwith Tracy (Mrs. J. H.)....Jewett City, Conn.
Katharine Beckwith Tiffany
 (Mrs. T. C.)...1496 Bedford Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.
Edwin H. Bingham.....Hartford, Conn.
Mrs. E. H. Bingham.....Hartford, Conn.
Mrs. H. A. Bingham.....Hartford, Conn.
Mrs. E. Foote Whitredge.....Summit, New Jersey.
Henry Allyn Stillman.....25 Marshall Street, Hartford, Conn.
Alice Websier Stillman.....25 Marshall Street, Hartford, Conn.
Frederick G. Churchill.....Wethersfield, Conn.
Levi B. Churchill.....Wethersfield, Conn.
Stephen Churchill.....Wethersfield, Conn.
Lillian Griswold Churchill.....Wethersfield, Conn.
Grace E. Churchill.....Wethersfield, Conn.
Grace Griswold Wales.....Monroe, Conn.
Hattie Churchill Shepard.....Wethersfield, Conn.
John T. Welles.....Wethersfield, Conn.
Elizabeth Wells Hannum (?).....Wethersfield, Conn.
Elvira M. Wells.....Wethersfield, Conn.
Harriet Morgan Segur.....Wethersfield, Conn.

Dear Friends:

The wonderful success of this first meeting of the association is due to the hearty co-operation of every one who could help to make it a success, doing all they could, and especially to Dr. Lewis N. Foote, of Brooklyn, N. Y., without whom it would have been impossible for me to have got the report out at this time, when my correspondence was largest, and I was indexing and proofreading the Genealogy. He and Nathaniel Foote, of New York, have been untiring in their efforts from first to last.

A large number have indicated their desire to be enrolled as charter members of the association who could not be present at the first meeting. Arrangements have been made so that all who desire may be enrolled under the following term:

Any descendant of Nathaniel Foote, the Settler, is eligible to membership subject to the approval of the Board of Management. Those members of the family that were at Wethersfield at the first meeting and paid 50 cents each are enrolled as charter members as published above. Any

others may become charter members by sending at once to the secretary 50 cents. (Subject to the approval of the Board of Management. If not accepted, the money will be refunded.) Please give your genealogical number or your grandparents' name, so that the secretary may properly identify you.

The dues will be \$1.00, assessed on the head or representative of each family at each meeting of the association. It is probable now that the association will meet next year at Wethersfield and unveil the monument if funds enough are subscribed to build a proper marker. Please notify the secretary of any change of address on or before April 1, 1908.

ABRAM W. FOOTE,
Secretary, Middlebury, Vt.

THE NATHANIEL FOOTE MONUMENT

While we know that the remains of Nathaniel Foote, the Settler, and many of his family rest in the graveyard back of the old church of Wethersfield, yet it is a lamentable fact that there is not a stone in the whole yard with the name of FOOTE on it. The stones have either been taken away or used for foundations many years ago, and we are not able to mark the exact locations of their graves.

But we can locate the old Foote homestead lot, and this property extended out into what is now a public park at the foot of Broad street, and it is the purpose of the association to erect a monument to Nathaniel Foote and his family on this public property and at the same time mark the original property. John Crocker Foote, of Belvidere, Ill., has started this fund by subscribing \$50.00 and \$150 more was subscribed June 5th at Wethersfield. We want every descendant that so desires, to have an opportunity to contribute to this fund, whether the amount is small or great. Just fill out this blank and send to the committee.

ABRAM W. FOOTE, Middlebury, Vt.
DR. LEWIS N. FOOTE, Brooklyn, N. Y.
JOHN A. FOOTE, Catskill, N. Y.

We, the undersigned, agree to pay the amount subscribed by us to help build a monument to Nathaniel Foote, the Settler, at Wethersfield, Ct.

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REPORT

of the

SECOND MEETING

of the

FOOTE FAMILY ASSOCIATION

of

AMERICA

and dedication of

THE NATHANIEL FOOTE MEMORIAL

at

WETHERSFIELD, CT.

Sept. 16 and 17, 1903





NATHANIEL FOOTE MEMORIAL
Broad Street, Wethersfield, Conn.

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SECRETARY AND TREASURER

JUDGE ABRAM W. FOOTE..... Middlebury, Vt.

HISTORIAN

NATHANIEL FOOTE..... 80 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

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SECOND MEETING *of the* FOOTE FAMILY ASSOCIATION

At the first meeting of the Foote Family Association, at Wethersfield, June 5, 1907, nearly everyone was surprised to find that there was not a marker of any kind to locate the graves of any of our ancestors in the Wethersfield Cemetery, and Judge Abram W. Foote, of Middlebury, Vt., Dr. Lewis N. Foote, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and John A. Foote, of Catskill, N. Y., were appointed a Committee with power to solicit subscriptions for, and to place in the town of Wethersfield a suitable Memorial to Nathaniel Foote, the settler.

A notice of the plan with a subscription blank was placed in the first report of the Association, and, April 4, 1908, a general appeal was sent out by the Committee.

Dr. Lewis N. Foote interested C. L. N. Camp, of New Haven, and they originated the general design as carried out, but, owing to the ill health of Dr. Foote, he was obliged to withdraw from all active work, Mar. 13, 1908, and J. Merrill Foote of Newark, N. J., was appointed on Dr. Foote's recommendation to take his place on the committee.

The full report of the committee will be given at the next meeting of the association at Rochester, N. Y. It is proper to state, however, that the Committee have received over \$700.00 in subscriptions; enough to pay all bills and help pay for this report.

The Memorial is of Barre, Vt. granite, rough hewn and is seven and one-half feet high by four feet by three and one-half feet on the base. On the south face this inscription is cut in large block letters:—

Nathaniel Foote
The Settler
Born in England 1593
Died in Wethersfield 1644
Erected by the Foote Family Association of America on the
Original Home Lot
September 17, 1908

This is surmounted by a bronze electric lamp eight feet high, making the total height fifteen feet six inches. The base rests on a concrete foundation, seven feet deep, in the foundation under the base is a sealed copper box, containing a copy of the Foote Genealogy, 1908: Report of the first meeting of the Foote Family Association, list of Subscriptions to the Me-

morial fund, and of the members of the Association. The lamp is connected by wire through the bronze shaft, down through the center of stone and foundation and in duct across road to pole, and electric light line.

The Committee have counselled the Board of Management, and the following meetings of the Board of Management and the Committee have been held:—

A meeting of the Board of Management was called at the Park Ave. Hotel, New York, Jan. 25, 1908. Present:

J. Merrill Foote, of Newark, N. J.
Dr. Lewis N. Foote, of Brooklyn, N. Y.
Nathaniel Foote, of New York, N. Y.
E. V. Foote, of New York, N. Y.
Abram W. Foote, of Middlebury, Vt.

Col. John A. Foote, of Brooklyn, N. Y., was invited to sit with the Board. It was voted that J. Merrill Foote act as Chairman. The Monument Committee presented plans of the Memorial to be executed at Wethersfield, Conn., which were accepted subject to some changes.

It was moved and carried that the chairman appoint a committee of three to prepare a programme for the dedication exercises and Col. John H. Foote, Dr. Lewis N. Foote and J. Merrill Foote were appointed.

Voted that the Monument be unveiled on June 3rd, 1908. Adjourned.

Several representatives of monumental works were present.

In the evening an informal reception was held.

ABRAM W. FOOTE, Secretary.

A meeting of the Board of Management was called to meet at the Globe Hotel, Albany, N. Y., Wednesday, Mar. 11, 1908. Present:—

Judge Nathaniel Foote, of Rochester, N. Y.
J. Merrill Foote, of Newark, N. J.
Abram W. Foote, of Middlebury, Vt., of the Board, and
John A. Foote, of Catskill, N. Y., of the Memorial Committee.

As there was not a quorum present, the meeting was informal.

The situation was gone over, and discussed at length, and on account of the strike, it was thought impossible to get the Monument ready by June 3rd.

A meeting of the Board of Management of the Foote Family Association of America was called to order at the Park Ave. Hotel, New York City, May 2, 1908, at 2 P. M. Present:—

Judge Nathaniel Foote, Rochester, N. Y., President.
John Crocker Foote, Belvidere, Ill., Vice-President.
Abram W. Foote, Middlebury, Vt., Secretary and Treasurer.
Nathaniel Foote, New York City.
J. Merrill Foote, Newark, N. J.
E. V. Foote, New York City.
John A. Foote, Catskill, N. Y., of the Memorial Committee.

It was voted to postpone the meeting to dedicate the Memorial bronze lamp and stone to Nathaniel Foote, the Settler, at Wethersfield, Conn., from June 2nd and 3rd, 1908, to September 16th and 17th, 1908; this was found necessary, as it was impossible to have the bronze lamp ready in June.

Voted J. Merrill Foote a member of the Monument Committee in place of Dr. Lewis N. Foote, who, on account of poor health, was compelled to resign. Also voted Nathaniel Foote, of New York, a member of the committee on programme vice Dr. Lewis N. Foote, resigned.

ABRAM W. FOOTE, Secretary.

MEETINGS OF THE FOOTE FAMILY ASSOCIATION AT HARTFORD.

SEPTEMBER 16, 1908.

The Board of Management met at the Garde Hotel, Sept. 16, 1908, at 2 P. M. as called by the programme, those present:—

Judge Nathaniel Foote, President.

Judge Abram W. Foote, Secretary and Treasurer.

Nathaniel Foote, Historian.

J. Merrill Foote, {
E. V. Foote, { Counselors.

The Memorial Committee reported, and the records of the previous meetings of the Board were approved.

At 3 P. M. the Association was called to order by President Nathaniel Foote of Rochester, N. Y., in the Parlors of the Garde Hotel and the following report of the Treasurer was read:

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE FOOTE FAMILY ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA.

June 5, 1907	Received of Dr. Lewis N. Foote.....		\$34 00
June 7, 1907	Paid the Wethersfield Grange, for Hall.....	\$10 00	
July 2, 1907	Paid the Tuttle Co., for 1,200 Reports.....	42 00	
July 10, 1907	Paid for stamps and wrappers on reports..	13 40	
Sept. 1, 1908	Received from 67 members, 50c. each.....		33 50
	Rec. from John Crocker Foote, in advance..		2 00
	Rec. from Ellen Foote, Cleveland, in advance		1 00
	Paid for stamps and stationery.....	4 20	
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		\$69 75	\$70 50
	Balance in Treasury, Sept. 16, 1908...	\$0 50	

ABRAM W. FOOTE, Treasurer.

J. Merrill Foote, of Newark, E. V. Foote and Nathaniel Foote of N. Y. were appointed to audit the report, and report at the evening session. On motion of J. Merrill Foote, a committee of three was appointed by the chair to nominate officers for the ensuing year, consisting of J. Merrill Foote, Newark, N. J., John A. Foote of Catskill, N. Y., and Gilbert F. Foote of Poughkeepsie, N. Y. It was moved and carried that the chair appoint a Committee to revise the Constitution and the following Committee was named: J. Merrill Foote, Nathaniel Foote and E. V. Foote of New York.

EVENING SESSION.

At the opening of the evening session Judge Nathaniel Foote first called for the report of the nominating committee, which was accepted. The officers elected are as follows:

President—Judge Nathaniel Foote.

Vice-President—John Crocker Foote.

Second Vice-President—Henry M. Foote.

Secretary and Treasurer—Judge Abram W. Foote.

Historian—Nathaniel Foote.

Counselors—Colonel John H. Foote, John A. Foote and Gilbert F. Foote.

State Secretaries—California, James A. Foote; Connecticut, Miss Lucy A. Brainard; District of Columbia, General George A. Foote; Iowa, Mrs. John G. Foote; Illinois, Dr. W. S. Hall; Kansas, Alfred H. Foote; Massachusetts, Charles N. Foote; Michigan, Dr. F. M. Foote; Minnesota, Edwin Foote; Nebraska, James Foote; New Jersey, the Rev. E. J. Foote; Ohio, Miss Essie Foote; Pennsylvania, G. Wesley Foote; Utah, John Foote; Washington, Ralph J. Foote.

REPORT ON CONSTITUTION.

Following the election there was a report of the committee on amending the constitution.

The Committee on Revision of the Constitution recommended the following changes and they were adopted. Sections 3 and 4 to read as follows.

III. The Officers of the Association shall be a President, Vice-Presidents, a Secretary and Treasurer, an Historian, and three Counselors. The Counselors and Officers *ex officio* shall constitute the Board of Management. These officers shall be elected by ballot at each regular meeting of the Association, and four shall constitute a quorum.

IV. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Association.

A Vice-President, in the absence of the President, shall preside and perform the duties as President.

The Secretary and Treasurer shall conduct all correspondence, keep in his book a full and distinct record of all the transactions of the association and shall call all meetings of the Board, with the approval of the President, and shall call all meetings of the Association as directed by their vote, or by the Board in case of change. He shall keep an accurate list of all its members. He shall collect, receive and pay out all moneys, subject to the order of the Board of Management, and keep a correct account of all moneys received and expended and render a written account at each regular meeting of the Association. The Association may decide its next place and time of meeting, or in default of so doing the Board shall fix time and place, and the Board may change time and place if in their judgment such change becomes desirable.

It was voted to ask all members to send their photographs to the Historian, Nathaniel Foote, 80 Broadway, N. Y., for preservaton.

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary have printed a full report of this meeting and of the Dedication exercises at the unveiling of the Nathaniel Foote Memorial.

The Committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's account reported that they had performed their duties and found the report correct; after some discussion, it was voted to hold the next meeting of the Association at Rochester, N. Y., on Thursday and Friday, Sept. 9th, and 10th, 1909. The meeting was then turned into a social session which lasted until 11 o'clock.

DEDICATION OF THE NATHANIEL FOOTE MEMORIAL.

Thursday A. M. was occupied by visiting the various places of interest at Wethersfield, including the church and graveyard; the Webb house where General Washington staid shortly before the Battle of Yorktown, and the large elm tree on the Robert Foote place, and the home lot of Nathaniel Foote the settler, where the lunch was served at noon, near the Memorial.

By 2 o'clock there were about four hundred present. On the bank of the highway just east of the Memorial where the exercises were held, many chairs being placed there for the visitors and the townspeople. The children from the High School were also present and sang patriotic airs during the exercises. The speakers' platform was near the monument and nearby a large national flag was displayed. The monument, up to the time of the unveiling, was draped in the national colors.

Hon. Nathaniel Foote, president of the Association, conducted the exercises, and in response to his invitation, prayer was offered by Rev. George L. Clark, pastor of the Wethersfield Congregational Church. The school children then sang "America."

PRESIDENT NATHANIEL FOOTE.

The opening address was made by President Nathaniel Foote of the Association, who spoke as follows:—

Ladies and Gentlemen:—More than two and three-quarter centuries have passed since the man we know as Nathaniel Foote the Settler first came to this spot. He came from the Atlantic Coast with a small company of adventurers to establish for themselves homes in the wilderness here on the banks of the majestic Connecticut River. They were Englishmen, dissatisfied with the conditions under which they had lived in their own country, and especially with the lack of religious liberty, and were imbued with a spirit of adventure and enterprise to improve their condition and to give to their offspring a better opportunity in life than was possible in the old country.

They found here an absolute wilderness, and in their journey from the coast they were obliged to make their way through the primeval forest with no roads to follow, save the paths of the wild beasts and the trails of the savage. They were compelled while on this most difficult journey and for years after their arrival to be on their guard against the treacherous attacks of these savages who infested them on every side concealed by the dense forests.

It is impossible for us at this day to realize the dangers and hardships of the life they led during the first long and dreary years of their struggle. We know, however, that the conditions in which they lived put a severe strain upon their powers of endurance, and that some of them fell by the wayside and died while yet comparatively young men. Among those was the ancestor of the Foote family whose name and memory we honor today. He had barely reached middle life, when he was compelled to lay down his burden, leaving his widow and family of young children to a fate, which must have appeared to him and them as full of peril with the outcome dark and foreboding. But he had done his great work better than he knew. He had established his family in America and no adverse fortune of a serious nature was destined to overtake those for whom he had made such sacrifices and endured such hardships. He had founded a family in America and assisted in the opening and development of a new country in the Western Hemisphere. It was not given to him to know the result of his experiment and no doubt he died in the fear that it might prove an utter failure. But of this we may be sure, that in his wildest hopes and dreams he never pictured to himself, his family attaining to anything like its present character, magnitude or importance, or his new country rising to be one of the great independent powers of the world and containing upwards of eighty millions of people. What a bewildered man he would be if he could open his eyes upon the scenes and people with which we are familiar today.

The records which remain of the landed estate, which our ancestor left to his family indicate that he had been one of the thrifty and fairly successful members of the little community in which he lived, but no record or tradition survives to show otherwise what manner of man he was. We do not know that he achieved any special distinction among his fellows during his short life, nor can we say that he possessed any exceptional high qualities of mind or heart, such as mankind is accustomed to commemorate by memorials or monuments. We have no reason to believe he was a statesman, a soldier, an orator, or a poet. He was in all probability a plain ordinary average man among his fellows with no right or title to special distinction above the others, and quite likely if he were here today not the least of his bewilderment would arise from the fact that a monument had been erected to him in a public place in Wethersfield.

What then is the reason or excuse for the monument which we dedicate today? It certainly is not to be found in the motives which have hitherto led to the placing in public places of memorials to the dead, nor yet in the sentiment which leads to the marking or ornamentation or decoration of graves. It is I think rather the expression of the idea or sentiment embodied in the homely maxim, "Blood is thicker than water." We of this association are a part of the now great family founded by this man in this country. We are something more to each other because we each have some of his blood in our veins. We express by this monument our wish that our common descent from this one man should not be forgotten. We also express our debt of gratitude to him for his courage and self-sacrifice in crossing the seas to these forbidding shores whereby we have been allowed to live our lives in circumstances nowhere surpassed for health, happiness and prosperity and under a form of government which we think the very best.

How else could we so fitly express these feelings and sentiment as by a monument to the memory of the man whose fortitude and good judgment made it possible for us to enjoy these blessings. This monument would be quite out of place, however, except in Wethersfield. Here amid the scenes of his American life, and as is believed on land which was a part of his homestead lot its true purpose and significance will not be misunderstood. Here, too, it will be of some interest to the resident and the casual visitor recalling the name and memory of one of that heroic company of English pioneers who started here a spring of human life, the flow of which gathering strength and volume in the succeeding years has crossed the broad continent and branching has formed in nearly every state a stream of human life which owns Wethersfield as its American source.

Rightly then do we honor the name and memory of our ancestor here in this historic town, and let us hope that others may be like minded as ourselves, and that here, on soil deeply interesting and almost sacred to that large body of Americans who have descended from its first settlers may arise a suitable memorial to that small company of hardy pioneers, testifying to the world the respect for their memory and achievements held by their descendants of the present day. We have described our ancestor upon this monument as "Nathaniel Foote the Settler." He was not of course the first settler of Wethersfield, though he was one of them. No individual was the first settler of Wethersfield. Mr. Goodwin, who published the first genealogy of the Foote family in 1849, gave him the name "The Settler," because he was the first of his family to settle in America, and so he has since been known by the family. To others the designation may sometimes not be understood or prove misleading, but there was no other designation or description so suitable to place upon his monument or which so easily and quickly indicated to members of the family his identity and we hope it will be regarded as not inappropriate.

ADDRESS BY HON. HENRY M. FOOTE.

The address of presentation of the Memorial to the people of Wethersfield was made by Hon. Henry M. Foote of Washington, D. C., who spoke as follows:—

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen:—There can be no progress or development except through unceasing toil, courageous action, or at the expense of life itself. The march of human progress is onward and upward and we are continually casting aside old methods and adopting new ideas which are required to meet our constantly advancing social and economic conditions.

Our civilization is the outgrowth of centuries, and comes to us as the product of bitter contests. It is the harvest which has been gathered from the fields of human experience and wisdom from which the noxious growths of ignorance, superstition and oppression have been eradicated.

The school of practical experience is necessary in order that we may not only profit by our accomplishments or mistakes, but also by those of others. We live not only for ourselves but for humanity, and the conduct of a single life may shape the course and destiny of many others.

No great reforms are ever accomplished without strenuous opposition, and those who advocate and defend them always receive the bitter denunciations of their fellow citizens. And so it is that no lasting good is ever obtained for the benefit of mankind without patient endeavor or unselfish sacrifice.

Man's humanity for man is the most noble attribute given to the human race, and it became fully exemplified when the Man of Sorrows, bruised, bleeding, and maligned, suffered death upon the cross.

FOOTE HISTORY AND GENEALOGY

2776. EDGAR FOOTE (1347, 488, 145, 41, 11, 3,) b. Sept. 13, 1825; m. Nov. 15, 1847, Julia Payne. She d. Mar. 29, 1857, in Streetsboro, O.; m. 2nd, Feb. 14, 1858, Emma T. Chaplain; res., Streetsboro, O.
4367. i. AMANDA, b. Nov. 25, 1851.
4368. ii. FRANK ELWOOD, b. Aurora, O., Nov. 21, 1860; d. Apr. 7, 1878, in Streetsboro, O.
4369. iii. EVERETT CHALFONT, b. Aurora, O., May 3, 1864; m. Carrie Lorrain, 5773-75.
2779. LINUS FOOTE, JR. (1347, 488, 145, 41, 11, 3,) b. Aug. 15, 1831; m. Jan. 31, 1855, Belinda Shurtliff. She d. Sept. 20, 1865, at Randolph, O.; m. 2nd, Sept. 15, 1866, Jane Sawyer Greer, of Solon, O. She d. Dec. 23, 1875; m. 3rd, Aurora, O., Aug. 3, 1879, Sarah Jane Zimmer. She was b. Louisville, Ky., Nov. 15, 1849.
4370. i. ALMA DEAN, b. Aurora, O., Mar. 12, 1853; d. May 11, 1854, Aurora, O.
4371. ii. JUSTIN HAYES, b. Portage, O., Sept. 23, 1854; m. Helen Maria Munn, 5776-7.
4372. iii. EDGAR CHARLES, b. Aurora, O., Jan. 9, 1859; m. Mary Van Della Thompson, 5778-9.
4373. iv. EGBERT BURTON, b. Aurora, O., Jan. 29, 1862; m. Suella Haskins, 5786.
4374. v. LEONARD ALLEN, b. Aurora, O., July 8, 1867; m. Anna Snedegar.
4375. vi. JENNIE BELLE, b. Aurora, O., June 1, 1869; m. Aug. 20, 1887, William Kiser, of Chardon, O. He was b. Apr. 25, 1866; res. 462 So. Pierce St., Milwaukee, Wis. Ch.: (1) Linus Egbert, b. Fargo, N. Dak., May 19, 1891. (2) William Carroll, b. Fargo, N. Dak., June 29, 1893.
4376. vii. JOHN A., b. Aurora, O., Nov. 16, 1872; m. Belle Sippert 3781-2.
4377. viii. ALMA RUTH, b. Aurora, O., Jan. 17, 1881; m. Sept. 29, 1893, Herman Kurth, of Cumberland, Md. Ch.: (1) Robert Adolph, b. Cleveland, O., Mar. 3, 1900. (2) Charles Arthur, b. Cleveland, O., May 13, 1902.
4378. ix. FRANK ARTHUR, b. Portage, O., Aug. 6, 1886.
2782. OSCAR FOOTE (1347, 488, 145, 41, 11, 3,) b. Mar., 1839; m. Jan. 4, 1860, Aldula Shurtliff. She d. Sept. 28, 1881. M. 2nd, May 13, 1889, Flavilla Pester Foote. She was b. Oct. 13, 1842; res., Kent, O.
4379. i. ADDIE LAURA, b. Streetsboro, O., Jan. 8, 1861; m., Jan. 25, 1877, Robinson Lewis. He was b. Feb. 7, 1848. M. Apr. 2, 1889, Richard N. Pattern. Ch.: (1) Freddie Vienna, b. Streetsboro, O., Sept. 10, 1877. (2) Lulu May, b. Kent, O., Mar. 29, 1881.
4380. ii. ZYLPHIA, b. Streetsboro, O., Aug. 30, 1864; d. Nov. 3, 1881.
4381. iii. CHARLES, b. Streetsboro, O. Feb. 18, 1868; m. Mary Abel, 5783-86.
4382. iv. NINA MAY, b. Streetsboro, O., Aug. 5, 1872; m. May 10, 1888, Wilson Dudley Pratt of Kent, O. He was b. Dec. 25, 1870. Ch.: (1) Roy Oscar, b. Kent, O., Dec. 30, 1891. (2) Ray Noble, b. Massilon, O., Dec. 31, 1893.
4383. v. NETTIE, b. Kent, O., July 27, 1881; d. Sept. 2, 1881, at Kent, O.
2784. BELUS HARD FOOTE (1349, 488, 145, 41, 11, 3,) b. Apr. 16, 1821; m., July 3, 1850, Zillah Ann Parks of Binghamton, N. Y. She d. Sept. 30, 1876. He d. Apr. 13, 1894; res., Franklin, Pa.
4384. i. ARTHUR WILLIS, b. Apr. 27, 1851; m. Mary Aurilla Wood, 5787-8.
4385. ii. IDA ELIZABETH, b. May, 23, 1853; d. Sept. 1, 1892.
4386. iii. LETA FRANCELIA, b. Apr. 30, 1855; d. July 12, 1892; unm.

It matters not whether the conduct of an individual is prompted by personal considerations, or a desire to benefit humanity, the success which comes as a result of such endeavor in either case has its influence, and to a more or less extent controls the action and shapes the destiny of others.

This influence is without limitation in its effect upon human conduct; it may be that the example of a patriotic, generous, or even a personal act, will at once arouse a spirit of emulation and start in motion an impulse that will elevate and benefit all who may come within the sphere of its operation. Or it is possible that it will require years before the effect of such influence is fully demonstrated.

One may suffer and become a martyr in a righteous cause or may wage a battle in its defense, or possibly leave friends and all that is dear by reason of hallowed associations in order to escape the consequences of wrong and injustice. In either case the act is an example of a devotion to an honest conviction and not only adds virtue and permanence to it, but gives to the world an illustration of a life dedicated to a just and noble purpose.

The progress of our republic has been accomplished through the efforts of its best and bravest men who, as pioneers along the pathway of its sublime grandeur, have led the way for humanity to follow.

We honor the man who becomes the champion of a just and honest cause; such a person arouses the admiration of all mankind and at once becomes a public benefactor, and his devotion to principle should be written in history, and carved upon enduring tablets in order that coming generations may have the benefit of his noble example.

We have met here today in this beautiful town, distinguished by its sacred and historic memories, to do honor to a man whose life and services for the benefit of humanity rounded up to the full measure of these considerations. Forsaking the shores of that land which gave him birth he looked out upon the broad expanse of sea and sky toward the New World, and with a resolution born of hope, and a sublime confidence in the justice of his cause, he sailed away to these shores, giving to the world for all time the example of a devotion to a righteous principle which, during the existence of our republic, has been the foundation of its greatness and the chief cornerstone of our civilization.

I do not care to speak in detail of the causes which led the Puritans to these shores. Suffice to say they came hither not as an invading army resolved upon conquest; but actuated by a desire to escape oppression they led the way as peaceful pioneers and, upon that wild and desolate shore, established the foundations of a future government which, through their patient toil and sacrifices, they dedicated to the cause of justice and the sacred rights of ordered liberty.

Nathaniel Foote, one of the pioneers of whom we speak and whose memory his descendants are honoring today, came from Watertown, Massachusetts, here in 1635. There were only a few of that little band of sixty adventurers who started with him on that journey that had the fortitude to withstand the rigors of a New England winter and he was one of them. No friends were here to welcome him as weary and well nigh exhausted he reached this place which was to become the scene of his future activities; true, a few of his companions who survived that dreadful experience were with him and they, with the natives who were to the manor born, constituted all the associates which he had. We find him, however, in a short time locating upon a house lot on what was afterwards named Broad Street, and thereafter becoming the owner of several hundred acres in this beautiful valley adjoining your town.

Of the early experiences of our ancestor and his associates amid their new surroundings we have only a meager history and much is left to imagination to conjecture, but this we do know, that notwithstanding all the vicissitudes incident

to that experience and their constant defense against the fierce attacks of a sullen and bloodthirsty foe, they laid upon this historic spot the foundations of your present prosperity and sank deep into your soil the pillars upon which has been erected the sovereign structure of your imperial state.

A year ago last June a few members of our association met here and formed our present organization. We were received by the good people of this town with a cordiality that will continue to be a pleasant reminder of that visit for years and years to come. We were shown the old church in which the descendants of our ancestor used to worship at the same time that the Father of his country listened to the preaching of the divine word. We walked through the old churchyard where the remains of that first settler and some of his descendants have reposed for more than two hundred and fifty years. And we stood under the spreading branches of your historic elm planted by none other than our progenitor himself to mark a corner of the boundary of his possessions. And having thus been brought face to face, many of us for the first time, with these historic scenes, there seemed to be a general expression that we, his descendants, should erect a memorial in honor of his memory.

This expression of our desire was met by a generous offer of the people here to set apart in the public park a suitable plot of ground for that purpose, with the result that we are here today to witness the consummation of our project.

There is precedent, Sir, for the erection of this memorial. We read in Holy Writ that Moses in his pilgrimage through the wilderness built an altar as a sign that Jehovah would have war with Amalek from generation to generation; and we read that the Tribes of Israel built an altar in borders of Jordan that it might be a witness between themselves and other tribes. We read also of the Obelisks, the Pyramids and the monuments of Greece and Rome, all erected in commemoration of important events and of the lives and public services of illustrious men.

From those early days of antiquity down through the ages the people of all nations during all generations have erected monuments in honor of patriotic sacrifice for the benefit of humanity. And so we, the representatives of our honored and distinguished ancestor, have erected this monument here which is to stand for all time as a token of the veneration and respect which we have for him and also because through the sacrifices of himself and his associates there was laid upon this spot the foundations of a state which has so nobly contributed, through the patriotism and stability of its people, to the permanency of our federal Union.

And now, Mr. Chairman, in behalf of the Foote Family Association of America, it gives me great pleasure to present this memorial which we, the descendants of Nathaniel Foote, have erected to his memory, to the town of Wethersfield, confident that the same generous spirit of its citizens which contributed to its erection will care for and protect it through all coming generations.

The Monument was then unveiled by J. Merrill Foote of Newark, and as the flag fell from the monument all arose and greeted the event with applause.

ACCEPTANCE BY E. HART FENN.

The acceptance of the Memorial in behalf of the town of Wethersfield was made by E. Hart Fenn, who said:—

Mr. President and Descendants of Nathaniel Foote:—

As one in pleasant journey passes through the early settlements of our beloved New England, he finds by roadside and at village center lasting memorials of the olden times appropriately designated in monuments of stone or in tablets

of bronze. It is thus that the New Englander expresses his gratitude for and appreciation of the sterling qualities of the men, who, coming to the land from a foreign soil, brought forth here a new system of government, the cornerstone of which was liberty. By these monuments along the wayside are kept alive those splendid traditions handed down to us by the forefathers; that civil and religious freedom is not merely a sentimental term, but a deep rooted and accomplished fact.

In accordance with this New England custom we are assembled here, in ancient Wethersfield, this bright September afternoon, to do honor to one of those founders of the town; one who, here on the very banks of the beautiful Connecticut, in company with his fellows from this town and with the men of the sister towns of Hartford and Windsor, under the leadership of the Immortal Hooker, promulgated that great instrument, "The Fundamental Orders," a simple writing in itself, yet which stands as the first written declaration of constitutional government. An instrument to which honor is today paid by every free republic on this earth, and which has its place side by side with Magna Charta and the Declaration of Independence, as an exponent of the rights of a people determined by the people.

As has been well said, to found a state under any circumstances has ever been counted among the great works of great men—but to found a state in which the equal rights of all men are so well guarded, in the wilderness amid the trials of frost and famine, and with the daily, hourly, constant apprehension of assault and butchery from the savage, is no common event in the world's history, and should ever be remembered by those who have enjoyed its protection.

Nathaniel Foote was of that sterling band which founded the Connecticut commonwealth and in doing honor to him today we do honor to ourselves and to our state. It is for us of the present generation to ever bear in mind the traditions which he and his fellow adventurers have handed down to us and to catch as far as we may the living spirit which sustained them in their work of founding a commonwealth: in which liberty is sustained by law, and law is softened by the spirit of liberty, and in which both are held in check by religion and education.

Mr. President and descendants of Nathaniel Foote: This granite is symbolic of the strong and enduring qualities of "the settler," your ancestor, and the handsome light above is a guarantee that his influence and that of his fellows shall continue to send its inspiring rays down through future generations. In behalf of the townspeople of Wethersfield I have the honor to accept this worthy monument to a worthy man.

After the adoption of resolutions of thanks to the Memorial Committee and the residents of Wethersfield the exercises were brought to a close by the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner," in which all present united.

NAMES OF MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION WHO JOINED BETWEEN JUNE 5, 1907, AND SEPTEMBER 16, 1908.

Numbers in
the Genealogy.

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| 3337. | Jennie G. (Foote) Crichton..... | 122 Erie St., Syracuse, N. Y. |
| 4445. | Dr. E. A. Foote and Mrs. E. A. Foote. | 216-221 Paxton Block, Omaha, Neb. |
| 2468. | (1) Helen A. Warner Nutting..... | 230 West 107th St., New York |
| 1813. | Carolyn Foote Campbell (Mrs. Wellington)..... | Short Hills, N. J. |
| 4026. | Chas. B. Foote..... | Cora Exchange Bank, Chicago, Ill. |

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the Genealogy.

1812.	Ellen Foote Reed (Mrs. Charles).....	34 Hinsdale St., Dorchester, Mass.
4331.	Lucy Foote Morehouse,.....	Big Rapids, Mich.
4952.	Deville V Foote.....	Scranton, Pa.
3609.	Ann Eliza Foote Pine,.....	Washington C. H., Ohio
4431	Eva F. Porter.....	New London, Huron Co., Ohio
773	(1) (b) Malcolm H. Augell.....	Etna, N. J.
2028.	George Foote.....	Soldiers' Home, Sandusky, Ohio
5717.	Leigh Snell Foote.....	Lowville, Lewis Co., N. Y.
1876.	(1) Russell Foote Stryker.....	Round Brook, N. J.
4972.	Ellen Foote Van Leuven.....	Lime Springs, Iowa
3497.	Lewis B. Foote.....	7813 Franklin Ave., Cleveland, Ohio
2167.	Cynthia Ann (Foote) Smith.....	Bloomfield, Ct.
3637.	Myrtha Eloise (Foote) Johnson.....	14 Westland St., Hartford, Ct.
4060.	Truman Sherman Foote.....	51 Fountain St., New Haven, Ct.
4061.	Mary Dana (Foote) Farnham.....	51 Fountain St., New Haven, Ct.
4063.	Herrick Orville Foote.....	51 Fountain St., New Haven, Ct.
4612.	Mary (Foote) Mack.....	Sandusky, Ohio
3528.	Francis S. Foote.....	67 Myrtle Ave., Montclair, N. J.
2528.	Addie S. Foote.....	67 Myrtle Ave., Montclair, N. J.
5159.	Francis S. Foote, Jr.....	67 Myrtle Ave., Montclair, N. J.
5160.	Edna A. Foote.....	67 Myrtle Ave., Montclair, N. J.
5674.	Martha Foote,.....	Merna, Neb.
3796.	Maj. Stephen M. Foote.....	Jackson Barracks, New Orleans, La.
3479.	Joel L. Foote.....	Brooklyn Sta., Cleveland, Ohio
2035.	Susie Foote.....	868 Scranton Ave., Cleveland, Ohio
2037.	Ellen Foote.....	868 Scranton Ave., Cleveland, Ohio
510.	(3) Miss Sarah B. Hammond.....	Rome, N. Y.
3299.	Mrs. Jennie P. Pullen.....	20 East Elm St., Greenwich, Ct.
3297.	Edith H. Foote.....	Greenwich, Ct.
6119.	Arthur E. Foote.....	802 North Division St., Creston, Ia.
3127.	(4aii) Bessie Ellen Hamilton.....	Crown Point Center, Essex Co., N. Y.
3127.	(4bi) Clara Mae Labene.....	858 Boulevard, Bayonne, N. J.
3795.	Warren Milo Trade (Foote).....	Warsaw, Wis.
4233.	Stephen Wilbur Foote.....	28 Franklin Ave., Lockport, N. Y.
5740.	Vincey Foote.....	Sonyea, N. Y.
5744.	Seneca John Foote.....	Sonyea, N. Y.
2487.	Melville B. Foote.....	Ayr, Neb.
3316.	Asa Watson Foote.....	Aitkin, Minn.
1781.	Charles S. Foote.....	238 Fairmount Ave., Hyde Park, Mass.
1781.	Amelia H. Foote (Mrs. C. S. Foote).....	238 Fairmount Ave., Hyde Park, Mass.
4624.	Grace N. (Foote) Mix.....	77 Chapman St., Waterbury, Ct.
3374.	John Crocker Foote.....	Belvidere, Ill.
3375.	Harriet Foote Sabin.....	Belvidere, Ill.
3369.	Lyra Foote Havens.....	118 West Garden St., Rome, N. Y.
3000.	John M. Foote.....	Northford, Ct.
4951.	George H. Foote.....	Mt. Vernon, Ill.
3644.	Florence Foote Leuer.....	437 N. Main St., Poplar Bluff, Mo.
2921.	(1) Prof. George Lucius Collie.....	Beloit, Wis.
1604.	(1) (a) Maj. L. R. D. Fayling.....	Toledo, Ohio
1189.	(8) (a) B. K. James.....	San Antonio, Texas
4603.	G. Clifford Foote.....	377 Lenox St., New Haven, Ct.

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the Genealogy.

3021.	George L. Foote.....	377 Lenox St., New Haven, Ct.
4662.	Frederick W. Foote.....	377 Lenox St., New Haven, Ct.
3513.	James C. Foote.....	111 Adelphi St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
5145.	John H. Foote.....	470 6th St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
1869.	John Foote.....	New Berlin, N. Y.
3330.	Frederick Foote.....	Turnersville, Texas
1572.	(2) George Cole Miller.....	144 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass.
1872.	(2a) Vilroy Cole Miller.....	141 Huntington, Ave., Boston, Mass.
4459.	W. L. Foote and Mrs. W. L. Foote.....	225 Wells St., Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
4360.	Edwin Hawerly Foote.....	Red Wing, Minn.

MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY WHO REGISTERED AT WETHERSFIELD
SEPTEMBER 17, 1908.

96P.	Eliza C. Noble.....	64 Court St., Westfield, Mass.
95P.	George W. Foote.....	73 Bradford, St., Pittsfield, Mass.
4612.	(Mrs. I. F.) Mary Foote Mack.....	Sandusky, Ohio
4612.	(1) Cora M. Robinson.....	Longmeadow, Mass.
510.	(3) Sarah B. Hammond.....	402 N. Washington St., Rome, N. Y.
4612.	I. F. Mack.....	Sandusky, Ohio
3332.	Charles P. Foote.....	Pawtucket, R. I.
769.	(3) Mrs. Philo Bevin.....	East Hampton, Conn.
760.	(5) (Mrs. C. H.) Helen Bliss Case.....	Pittsfield Mass.
825.	(1) (a) Miss Mary E. B. Aldrich....	376 E. Main St., Battle Creek, Mich.
4952.	Deville Foote	1123 West Elm St., Scranton, Pa.
757.	(3) Lucy Abigail Brainard.....	4 Atwood St., Hartford, Ct.
2484.	James E. Foote.....	Nebraska City, R. F. D. No. 2.
757.	Alice Louise Brainard.....	48 Huntington St., Hartford, Ct.
4951.	Geo. H. Foote.....	Mt. Vernon, Ill.
1037.	Charles Foote.....	Glastonbury, Ct.
2994.	Amanda (Foote) Vining.....	Silver Lane, East Hartford, Ct.
4695.	Arthur Terre Foote.....	121 Lawrence St., New Haven, Ct.
403.	H. P. Foote.....	Canton Center, Ct.
2996.	Henry Foote.....	Silver Lane, East Hartford, Ct.
3295.	Gilbert F. Foote.....	31 South Clinton St., Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
3295.	Clara Williams Foote.....	31 South Chnton St., Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
4943.	Andrew Giraud Foote.....	31 South Clinton St., Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
4944.	Gilbert Flagler Foote, Jr.....	31 South Clinton St., Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
3633.	Elizur V. Foote.....	253 West 42nd St., New York
3696.	John A. Foote.....	Catskill, N. Y.
3696.	Mrs. John A. Foote.....	Catskill, N. Y.
3500.	Julius Merrill Foote.....	301 Ogden St., Newark, N. J.
2570.	Mrs. Olive Foote.....	Downers Grove, Ill.
1242.	(3) (d) Mrs. L. Mack Payne.....	Hinsdale, Mass.
1242.	(3) (e) Miss Charlotte E. Tuttle.....	15 Blagden St., Boston, Mass.
1024.	(1) Miss Imogene Bacon (B. S.).....	South Glastonbury, Ct.
753.	†Amaziah Brainard.....	Hartford, Ct.
753.	†Mrs. Amaziah Brainard.....	Hartford, Ct.
2432.	Henry V. R. Foote.....	Malone, N. Y.
2432.	Mrs. Henry V. R. Foote.....	Malone, N. Y.
3992.	Mrs. John M. Foote.....	West Hartford, Ct.

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the Genealogy.

5484.	Helen S. Foote.....	West Hartford, Ct.
4102.	Mrs. Jane W. Foote.....	181 St. John's Pl., Brooklyn, N. Y.
5517.	Mrs. Wm. W. Walsh, Jr. (Louise E. A. Foote)	181 St. John's Pl., Brooklyn, N. Y.
3632.	Mrs. Horace Stokes (Jennie A.)	Hackettstown, N. J.
3300.	Nathaniel Foote.....	245 Culver Road, Rochester, N. Y.
3103.	H. M. Foote.....	Washington, D. C.
3992.	John M. Foote.....	Hartford, Ct.
2i.	Mrs. Henry A. Bingham.....	16 Atwood St., Hartford, Ct.
2t.	Edwin H. Bingham.....	44 Gillett St., Hartford, Ct.
4640.	Mrs. Hattie E. Smith.....	Suffield, Ct.
4640.	(1) Millard L. Smith.....	54 Plainfield St., Springfield, Mass.
3708.	(1) Mrs. Minnie A. Masterton.....	Glover Place, Middletown, Ct.
3706.	Albert H. Foote.....	Colechester, Ct.
3240.	(1) Ella E. Merwin.....	Durham, Ct.
3240.	(6) Agnes D. Merwin.....	Durham, Ct.
1024.	Temperance Leonora (Foote) Bacon.....	S. Glastonbury, Ct.
2532.	David Thompson Foote.....	Bridgeport, Ct.
2532.	Mrs. David Thompson Foote.....	Bridgeport, Ct.
7256.	Jessie Emma Foote.....	Middlebury, Vt.
7252.	Leslie E. Mott.....	Brandon, Vt.
7252.	Mrs. Leslie E. Mott.....	Brandon, Vt.
5561.	Nathaniel Foote.....	80 Broadway, N. Y.
355.	(2) (a) J. H. Hammond Jr.....	Rockville, Ct.
355.	(2) (a) (i) William C. Hammond.....	Holyoke, Mass.
355.	(2) (a) (ii) Charles H. Hammond.....	Rockville, Ct.
5367.	Margaret Merriek Foote.....	Norwich N. Y.
3299.	Janie Foote Pullen.....	Greenwich, Ct.
3297.	Edith Foote.....	Greenwich, Ct.
673.	(2) (a) (i) Lucilla Marshall.....	Cheshire, Ct.
673.	(2) (a) Nellie Hubbard Marshall.....	Cheshire, Ct.
3287.	Eliza C. Averill.....	Branford, Ct.
2234.	(2) Jane I. Taylor.....	Colechester, Ct.
3723.	Kate Foote.....	Colechester, Ct.
3722.	Harriet R. Hills.....	Colechester, Ct.
2762.	(1) Mrs. F. J. Chandler.....	Stafford Spr., Ct.
3782.	E. N. Foote.....	Rockville, Ct.
3709.	E. E. Foote.....	Gilead, Ct.
3709.	Mrs. E. E. Foote.....	Gilead, Ct.
5310.	Helen E. Foote.....	Gilead, Ct.
3710.	Geo. B. Miller.....	Colechester, Ct.
3710.	Mrs. Geo. B. Miller.....	Colechester, Ct.
4t.	Miss Rose Standish Francis.....	Wethersfield, Ct. Box 156
2t.	Mary J. Harris.....	Wethersfield, Ct.
2t.	Barton A. Harris.....	Wethersfield, Ct.
2t.	Rodney W. Harris.....	Wethersfield, Ct.
8t.	Henry Allen Stillman.....	Hartford, Ct.
8t.	Alice Webster Stillman.....	Hartford, Ct.
3707.	Chester B. Lyman.....	Columbia, Ct.
3707.	(1) Albert E. Lyman.....	Columbia, Ct.
5979.	Abram W. Foote and wife.....	Middlebury, Vt.

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We are sending this report to some who are not members of the Association. If you are one of them we hope you will be interested and become one of our number.

We are very anxious to have all descendants of Nathaniel Foote join the Association. All that is necessary is to send your number in the genealogy and fifty cents to the Secretary. If you do not know your number give the full name of your grandfather and grandmother.

Article 6 of the Constitution reads as follows:

VI. The dues shall be One Dollar, assessed on the head or representative of each family at each meeting of the Association.

If you have not sent in your assessment for this year please send at once to the Secretary to help pay for this report.

The next meeting of the Association will be at Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 9th and 10th, 1909 (unless changed by the Board of Management).

Programmes will be sent to all members of the Association and all others that are interested enough to send the Secretary their correct address before Aug. 15, 1909. This will probably be the largest meeting ever held by the Association as it is very centrally located for a large number of the family to reach. Do not fail to come whether you are a member of the Association or not.

ABRAM W. FOOTE, Secretary.

Middlebury, Vt.

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We have received many letters of regret from those who could not be present. The following letter from Major Stephen M. Foote, U. S. Army, was received too late to be read at the meeting.

Jackson Barracks.

New Orleans, Louisiana, September 10, 1903.

Dear Friends and Cousins:

It was my pleasant hope for several weeks this summer to see you all in our ancestral home, to meet you face to face, to feel the "subtle thrill of kinship and family pride." But the War Department seems to need me where I am and my meeting with you must be postponed to another day.

A few years ago, I, like many others of the family, made a pilgrimage to Wethersfield. These are no battlemented castles, no wide ancestral halls, to which we return. No sentinels in armor paced the ground upon which we stand. This was not the scene of joust and tournament, of feasting and of mirth. Our battlements and castles were the towering trees of the wilderness, our halls were the forest glades. The lord of the manor was his own sentinel, on guard against savage beast and man, his musket ever by his side whether at his work, at his frugal meal, upon his knees in prayer or lying down to sleep.

This was fortune. All our early ancestors must have possessed it in a greater or less degree, and their descendants must have the germ of that hardy virtue of citizen and soldier.

I am surprised that there are not more soldiers in our family. The West Point motto is "Honor, Duty, Country" and you will seek in vain for a better interpretation of this creed than the simple words of the Foote motto "Loyalty and Truth." I have the honor of being the only officer by the name of Foote on the active list of the Regular Army today. While I appreciate the proud distinction, I should gladly welcome accessions to the roll. So that I hope some sturdy sons of the Foote family may go to West Point and join in the service of our country as officers in the Army.

I want to look upon our own as one of the "families in America bearing names so dignified through a long and unstained ancestry on this continent and with histories so full of service to the state that the family name is equivalent to a patent of nobility, and those who wear it belong to our real aristocracy."

I regret that the Foote Genealogy, of which we have so much reason to be proud, does not contain mere photographs. I confess that it is my fault that my own picture is not there and I am sorry for it. I shall, however, send in my photograph now and trust that we may soon have a second volume published with copious illustrations.

I most sincerely hope that I may be allowed the pleasure of meeting you, one and all, if ever we are near each other.

With best wishes for your happiness, I am yours in the bonds of blood relationship,

STEPHEN M. FOOTE.



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The Foote History and Genealogy.

WETHERSFIELD, CONN., June 5, 1907.

DEAR FRIENDS:

Just a word about copy. If you have any doubts as to whether your family records have been sent in, or if it is correct or not, just sit down and send me a correct copy of your family data, and your grandfather's name and date of birth, and I will see that it is correct.

All copy for the new Genealogy is typewritten. If you sent a typewritten record it was pasted in and went direct to the printer. If you wrote we copied it off on the typewriter and filed your copy. We have gone over this copy three times and are very anxious to have it correct. If you have left out anything or there is any change to be made, just send it right along. Do not stop to ask if it will be too late. It may not get in in regular order, but it will be there, if we have any copy left in the galley. But send at once. *This is the last opportunity.*

Contract with the printer calls for the delivery of the work by August 1st.

Please send the correct address of your Foote relatives.

The book, when published, will show births, marriages, residences, deaths of eleven generations of descendants in America, so far as they are obtainable, and will be an invaluable treasure many years hence.

It will contain over 500 pages—perhaps 600, will be printed on fine paper in eight point type, close printed. Illustrated with pictures of the home built by Nathaniel Foote of Colchester, in 1702, the oldest house now standing in Colchester, also a picture of the tombstone of the above Nathaniel Foote, and that of his son Nathaniel and his wife, and portraits of Governor Samuel A. Foote of Connecticut; Rear Admiral Andrew H. Foote, U. S. N.; Henry Ward Beecher; Harriet Beecher Stowe, Senator Solomon Foote of Vermont and Judge Eliakim Todd Foote, of New Haven, Conn. These are all new cuts. Rev. Dr. Lewis Ray Foote, late of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Judge Nathaniel Foote, of Rochester, N. Y.; Dr. W. S. Hall, of Chicago, Ill.; and thirty other prominent members of the family, many of whom have passed over the river. If you desire portraits or pictures of any kind, write for terms at once.

The work is very much larger and more expensive than was anticipated; we are glad to have it larger, we want all of the family records we can possibly get.

The price will be \$6.50, in cloth; \$7.25, in half morocco and \$8.00 in full morocco, after publication, and that price will not be guaranteed, but

